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UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

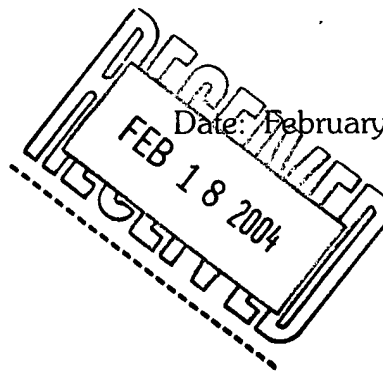
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Applicant(s): Soon-Jai Khang et al.  
Application No.: 09/712,626  
Filed: November 14, 2000  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TREATING FLUE GAS  
Art Unit: 1754  
Examiner: Timothy Vanoy  
Atty Doc. No.: UOC-128D

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1.   X   Transmitted herewith is a Reply for this application.
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  X   No additional fee for claims is required.
4. Attached is a check in the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_.  
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5. These proceedings are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply.

Complete (a) or (b) as applicable.

- (a)   X   Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

	Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
<u>  </u>	one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<u>  </u>	two months	\$ 420.00	\$ 210.00
<u>  X  </u>	three months	\$ 950.00	\$ 475.00
<u>  </u>	four months	\$1,480.00	\$ 740.00
<u>  </u>	five months	\$2,010.00	\$1,005.00

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**OR**

- (b)        Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

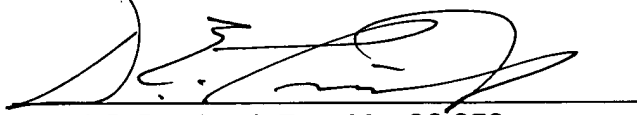
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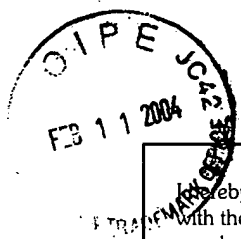
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**REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

This reply is in response to the office action mailed August 8, 2003, and is accompanied by a petition for a three-month extension of time, thereby extending the period for response through February 9, 2004.

Claims 1-60 are pending in the application, with claims 42-60 having been withdrawn from consideration, and claims 1-41 having been rejected.

In this reply, the applicants formally have canceled (without prejudice) claims 42-60, and made drawing changes proposed in the June 12, 2003 reply and approved by

the examiner in the August 8, 2003 office action. The applicants also have included the Declaration of Timothy C. Keener, Ph.D., and a petition for reconsideration and withdrawal of the final rejection.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**The Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 15 of this paper.

**Amended Drawings** are included as Appendix A.

**Remarks** begin on page 22 of this paper.